

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ajit Singh Gill

Examiner:

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For: "Coupling for Pipe Including an Inclined Flange"

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests that the above-mentioned application be made special and advanced out of turn for examination under the terms of 37 C.F.R. 102 because of Applicant's advanced age. 37 C.F.R. 102, as interpreted at M.P.E.P. 708.02 (IV) states that no additional fee is due for this Petition to Make Special, because Applicant is of 65 years of age or more.

Enclosed please find Applicant's Declaration, as required by M.P.E.P. 708.02 (IV) that he was born on September 21, 1933, and is now 69 years of age.

Respectfully,

*Ajit Singh Gill 8/6/2003*  
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**DECLARATION OF ADVANCED AGE**

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Sir:

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, I was born on September 21, 1933, and I am now sixty-nine (69) years of age.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 101 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully,

  
Ajit Singh Gill